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This Bulletin, issued by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1949-50, 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53 and monthly production for November, 1952 to January, 1953 and November, 1953 to January, 1954 are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. Figures up to 1951-52 inclusive are taken from the Government Statist's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th each year.

The scope of the Bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

The following symbols are used in this bulletin:-

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• Nil or less than half the final digit normally shown.

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Statistics of the following items are collected by the Authorities shown.
All other items are collected by the Commonwealth or State Statistician.

Superphosphate

Commonwealth Department of Commerce
and Agriculture.

Black Coal

Joint Coal Board.

Gold

State Department of Mines.

Beer)
Tobacco, Cigars &)
Cigarettes)

Commonwealth Department of Trade
and Customs.

Sawn Native Timber

Forestry and Timber Bureau.

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Commodity	Unit	Monthly Averages				∅ Monthly Production					
		Year				1952		1953		1953	
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	Ø1952-53	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
FUEL: Briquettes	ton	49,047	42,617	47,354	45,422	48,201	38,285	42,489	53,388	38,038	38,138
Black Coal	"	10,762	10,430	12,023	12,933	13,675	10,689	r 11,244	12,779	r 8,912	12,068
Brown Coal	"	636,410	608,347	674,692	675,113	679,961	595,647	r 610,259	722,852	624,497	632,434
HEAT, LIGHT & POWER:											
Gas made in Gasworks	mill.cub.ft.	896	954	1,044	1,100	1,058	999	907	1,077	1,007	919
Total Electricity Generated	mill.k.w.h.	226	240	247	264	245	242	233	288	277	267
BUILDING MATERIALS:											
Clay Bricks	'000	12,240	14,880	15,434	13,544	12,382	11,872	10,632	16,898	14,801	13,776
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq.yds.	504	551	610	512	524	436	r 400	542	439	357
Roofing Tiles - Cement	'000	1,595	1,894	1,934	1,363	1,486	1,074	920	1,562	1,247	910
Terra Cotta	"	1,023	1,025	1,035	1,212	1,252	1,020	891	1,323	1,049	976
SAWN NATIVE TIMBER:	'000 sup.ft.	25,733	27,470	29,113	23,855	21,762	16,535	19,377	21,843	20,611	
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:											
Paints - Ready Mixed Paint	gal.	100,095	121,956	120,943	97,965	89,100	99,447	84,077	120,517	125,295	89,438
Lacquers (Nitro-Cell)	"	20,996	27,146	23,633	17,476	15,430	17,914	r 13,376	22,637	21,332	16,426
Thinner for Lacquers	"	30,603	37,738	39,165	37,487	29,847	35,359	31,541	48,198	44,754	36,396
Enamels (Nat. & Syn.)	"	42,821	39,130	48,464	44,055	49,885	48,599	33,241	56,006	53,578	40,776
Water Paints	'000 lb.	117	118	157	377	270	413	443	901	797	597
Soap - Household	cwt.	16,745	18,589	18,748	16,823	16,665	13,916	12,093	11,892	10,736	7,957
Toilet & Hand	"	3,798	4,650	4,519	3,748	3,837	3,086	3,586	1,729	2,785	1,781
Flakes & Chips	"	1,715	2,763	2,310	2,528	2,416	1,963	1,178	3,342	5,371	1,508
Industrial	"	2,523	5,268	3,148	2,726	3,168	2,585	r 2,027	3,386	2,836	1,949
Sand	"	750	1,120	890	661	935	723	321	605	351	539
Soft	"	522	650	729	568	717	485	446	826	863	641
Liquid	"	1,369	2,333	2,818	2,469	2,264	2,426	2,367	2,390	2,774	1,943
Extracts & Powders	"	22,265	25,782	32,485	30,883	26,950	28,470	23,861	25,640	27,295	18,304
Superphosphate	ton	52,069	51,257	52,750	47,616	36,983	47,709	36,563	48,225	54,729	47,529
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	"	19,836	20,165	20,234	18,538	15,711	17,580	14,174	19,280	19,179	19,164
METALS: - Gold (Mine Production)	fine oz.	5,532	5,809	5,343	5,812	5,684	7,130	4,447	4,859	4,932	4,525
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc.Pushers & Strollers)	number	4,051	4,577	3,277	3,823	4,083	3,842	2,519	4,767	4,981	2,736

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		Year				1952		1953	1953		1954
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
MATTRESSES:											
Woven Wire, Link Mesh & Spring (a)	Number	5,694	6,158	6,679	7,659	7,375	8,581	4,998	8,535	8,491	5,685
Inner Spring	"	5,115	6,619	7,725	9,384	8,234	10,718	7,668	11,219	12,904	7,805
Soft Filled	"	)	)	)	)				(	6,832	6,863
Rubber	"	9,974	10,950	9,027	8,310	9,728	8,329	r 6,222	1,042	959	725
Other	"	)	)	)	)				(	1,997	2,828
ENGINES: - Other than Marine - Petrol and Other Light Oils - 2 H.P. and under 6 H.P.	"	383	379	371	360	292	339	293	227	214	n.a.
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (b)	"	4,971	6,549	8,260	7,764	7,952	6,830	r 4,668	12,265	11,673	7,727
Under 1 H.P.	"	828	734	610	434	566	291	r 503	497	779	319
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	"	429	371	312	167	266	114	170	297	160	101
2½ " " 5 H.P.	"	122	178	172	103	45	108	r 58	110	71	38
5 " " 10 H.P.	"	43	42	52	43	39	45	19	43	41	27
10 " and over	"										
ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES:											
Toasters (Domestic)	"	7,370	6,991	7,308	6,021	6,164	7,483	4,793	8,875	7,268	5,537
Hot Water Jugs (Complete)	"	12,431	11,953	12,437	6,852	8,343	7,289	3,441	9,142	12,470	6,459
Radios and Radiograms	"	8,181	10,956	7,639	r 7,803	r 13,655	r 6,539	r 5,327	r 10,357	r 9,681	6,692
Domestic Clothes Washing Machines	"	n.a.	364	624	699	848	891	385	945	1,006	793
BUILDING FITTINGS:											
Stoves - Solid Fuel	"	1,115	1,360	1,307	1,094	956	882	634	931	918	652
Gas	"	1,393	1,357	1,107	900	1,077	889	650	1,101	873	596
Coppers - Gas	"	810	836	577	533	n.a.	375	359	454	499	300
Electric	"	326	840	468	226	167	244	n.a.	281	246	206
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	"	798	794	752	528	484	453	r 328	492	509	354
Gas	"	850	717	551	557	775	338	401	677	578	477
Electric	"	41	370	263	241	281	235	r 140	341	169	147
Sink Heaters - Electric	"	467	750	476	348	354	348	r 205	330	323	354
Sinks, Stainless Steel	"	4,160	5,362	5,744	5,934	5,214	4,621	r 3,770	6,691	5,869	4,326
PEDAL CYCLES: (made and/or assembled)	"	n.a.	3,874	2,348	2,149	2,720	4,720	1,334	3,822	5,274	1,585
FLOOR COVERINGS:											
Wool Felt & Carpets	'000 sq.yds.	132	137	192	148	171	111	83	205	189	84

(a) Figures prior to 1951-2 do not include mattresses made and incorporated in stretchers and folding beds.

(b) Figures include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.

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(a) Includes Worsted and Woollen Mixtures and other mixtures predominantly of Wool.

(b) Made in knitting mills until June 1952. Thereafter includes underwear made from knitted piece goods.

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Commodity	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
		Year				1952		1953		1953	
		1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:											
Flour (from Wheat)	short ton	37,315	37,407	46,600	49,226	52,114	45,113	49,776	40,031	31,777	33,134
Bran (from Wheat)	"	7,466	7,259	9,136	9,334	9,735	8,775	9,375	7,163	5,636	6,029
Pollard (from Wheat)	"	7,658	7,424	9,336	10,515	10,954	10,204	11,151	8,306	6,644	6,607
Biscuits	'000 lb.	2,786	2,818	3,327	3,151	3,132	3,141	2,135	3,548	r 3,401	2,257
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	"	2,666	2,221	1,898	1,755	1,343	1,001	997	1,680	1,520	1,097
Other	"	2,128	2,100	2,317	2,244	2,070	1,854	1,584	2,617	2,317	1,390
Beef and Veal	ton	10,384	11,384	11,437	10,177	9,329	9,748	r 9,383	10,595	11,244	11,317
Lamb	"	5,582	3,917	3,686	4,914	12,324	9,620	r 4,133	8,407	7,754	5,133
Mutton	"	6,773	4,670	5,396	7,689	7,888	11,069	r 11,204	6,876	9,937	10,445
Pork	"	554	633	726	583	548	1,108	492	645	1,074	533
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight) (a)	"	661	659	747	678	684	880	r 531	656	737	517
Total Meat (in terms of fresh) (a)	"	24,401	21,500	22,261	24,332	31,019	33,126	r 25,956	27,415	31,011	28,131
Butter (factory only)	"	5,249	4,832	4,936	4,772	8,261	8,439	6,755	9,693	9,299	6,854
Cheese (factory only)	"	1,766	1,881	1,853	1,876	3,711	3,502	2,745	4,250	4,083	2,907
Processed Milk Products -											
Condensed Full-Cream Milk - Sweetened	'000 lb.	}	7,076	6,796	7,358	6,231	12,460	12,627	r 8,658	11,381	11,119
Unsweetened	"		7,076	6,796	7,358	1,657	2,903	2,486	r 1,827	n.a.	n.a.
Powdered Full-Cream Milk	"	2,803	2,165	2,232	2,221	4,558	4,159	2,893	3,687	3,491	2,683
Other Processed Wholemilk Products (b)	"	1,289	1,799	1,978	1,435	1,290	1,995	r 2,387	5,049	3,569	3,469
Ice Cream	'000 gals.	328	429	407	342	327	570	628	473	625	688
Beer (including Waste Beer)	"	4,143	4,434	4,706	5,056	2,134	6,293	6,057	6,174	6,838	6,236
Oatmeal & Rolled or Crushed Oats	cwt.	15,128	13,478	10,273	r 13,171	r 4,881	r 8,179	r 7,902	20,005	10,468	10,872
Prepared Breakfast Foods (from Wheat)	"	12,222	11,018	11,674	11,314	13,283	11,689	10,105	13,438	11,998	9,010
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	"	7,997	7,799	8,237	7,053	6,095	6,195	5,756	8,373	7,677	8,095
Margarine - Table	"	1,569	886	1,308	1,465	1,541	1,201	674	1,564	1,562	1,014
Other	"	6,926	5,507	6,973	5,506	5,101	4,543	3,219	5,055	4,235	2,389
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	'000 (c)	307	309	327	347	334	327	303	362	361	288
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (d)	'000 lb.	5,917	5,848	4,827	3,401	1,833	3,662	10,716	1,439	2,271	8,878
Canned Apricots, Peaches, Pears (d)	"	7,954	8,511	10,368	9,273	..	563	12,513	..	653	21,859
Green Peas	"	225	282	383	239	n.a.	1,748	70	n.a.	1,434	..
Tomatoes	"	377	237	403	194	..	..	n.a.	..	..	..
Other Vegetables	"	1,572	2,355	2,615	1,002	1,329	1,026	699	1,228	1,227	688
Tomato Juice	'000 gals.	34	13	50	101	n.a.	n.a.	319	..	..	3
Sauce	"	136	130	134	111	75	76	65	64	88	65
Soup	"	176	206	266	154	n.a.	15	51	n.a.	115	n.a.
Tobacco, Cigars & Cigarettes	'000 lb.	869	914	1,004	981	958	913	926	1,187	992	

(a) From February, 1953 onwards, pressed and canned bacon and ham have been converted to bone-in weight.

(b) Includes Infants' and Invalids' Food. (c) Bushels of 40 lb. (d) Includes Tasmanian Production.